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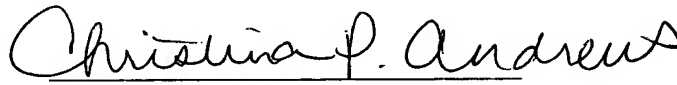
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Applicant: Michael R. Wessels et al.  
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**AMENDMENT**

Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed February 8, 2005, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims that begins on page 2 of this amendment.

**Remarks** begin on page 6 of this amendment.